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HOUSE BILL NO. 644

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MCGAUGH.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 105, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to lobbying restrictions on members of the general assembly, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 105, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 105.1310, to read as follows:

3 **105.1310. 1. No person holding any compensated position in any organization,**
4 **whether for-profit or not-for-profit, which employs lobbyists registered with the**
5 **commission shall hold the office of senator or representative. Any senator or**
6 **representative who accepts compensated employment in such an organization shall be**
7 **subject to immediate removal from office by impeachment subject to the rules, procedures,**
8 **and practices of each chamber of the general assembly but shall not be subject to any other**
9 **fine or penalty.**

10 **2. No senator or representative shall personally act or serve as a lobbyist, register**
11 **as a lobbyist, or solicit clients to serve as a lobbyist during his or her term of office. Any**
12 **individual who violates the provisions of this subsection shall be guilty of a class B**
13 **misdemeanor. Any second or subsequent violation shall be a class D felony until December**
14 **31, 2016, and a class E felony beginning January 1, 2017.**

15 **3. Subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to senators or representatives who**
16 **hold employment with any firm or organization that employs other individuals as**
17 **registered lobbyists to serve primarily on behalf of the clients of the firm or organization.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.